

- After election, new Board of Aldermen to select a mayor from either their ranks or from city electors. If mayor selected from within aldermen, he should resign his seat as alderman before becoming mayor and his vacancy to be filled by qualified elector from his ward, selected by Board of Aldermen. (repeal of Sec. 2, Ch. 192 of 1866-7 law)
- Sec. 6, of 1874-5 repealed.

March 9, 1895

- Police Board created: William H. Chadbourn, John B. Melton, Silas P. Wright, John E. Taylor, Frederick B. Rice
- Term begins when Board of Aldermen are seated in 1895 for two years
- No compensation for members of Board
- Ability to hire and pay: chief of police, chief of fire department, city clerk, city treasurer, city attorney, city physician, harbor master, clerks of markets, policemen, street workers, other city employees. Policemen and street hands fired only by Police Board.
- Board of Aldermen and Mayor cannot remove employees placed by Police Board.
- Salary of Mayor fixed at \$1,000
- Chair of Police Board also commissioner of sinking fund
- Expenses of Board of Audit and Finance limited to \$1,000
- Current mayor and aldermen to remain in office until next election on fourth Thursday of March, 1897 and until elected successors are duly qualified.

March 5, 1897

- Act of March 3, 1895 repealed
- One alderman elected from each ward (5) and governor appoint additional one from each ward
- Mayor can be impeached and replaced by alderman
- Elections to Board according to Charter
- Registration books for elections open 10 days prior to election

March 4, 1899

- Act of March 9, 1895 repealed
- Act of March 5, 1897 repealed
- All laws and clauses of laws in effect as of ratification of Act of March 9, 1895 declared in effect unless amended by this act
- Aldermen elected according to charter; registration books open for only 10 days
- Aldermen not eligible to hold office of Mayor or other city office or employment until term expires
- Mayor paid salary instead of all other compensation; salary fixed by Board of Audit and Finance between \$1,200 - \$2,000 per year and salary will not be reduced during term.
- People arrested by city police to be brought before Mayor for trial "except upon the usual affidavit for removal now provided by law"
- Vagrants arrested and brought before Mayor and must find employment within 24 hours or leave city
- Term of city clerk and treasurer 2 years
- Board of Audit and Finance appointed for two year term: Jesse Wilder, C. W. Yates, S. P. McNair, H. C. McQueen and W. A. Riach
- Municipal elections to have primaries -- rigorous rules established for holding primaries, qualifications for voters in primaries, majority vote in ward determines result of primary, misdemeanor if a person votes illegally in primary, chief of police and sheriff to maintain order during primary, primary can be held if 100 electors of same political party as the political party in control of city government petitions for election